Lib. J. R. Read the following Petition and Depositions preferred & U. S. against Cap^t Peter Bainbridge.

To His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland. The humble Petition of the Inhabitants of Frederick County.

Most humbly Sheweth

That Whereas your Excellency was pleased some years ago to appoint Peter Bainbridge as a Magistrate and also a Captain's Commission and as he has never Acted Justly in neither as he ought to have done, and Whereas your humble Petitioners and others of said County groans under the load of his bad Conduct in every Shape, Wrong Judgments and other Grievous affairs too Teedious here to mention, so that the greatest part of the Country cries out against him, Yet we will make bold to mention one Article, That Whereas in the year Fifty Eight when the Militia went out to the back Woods your Excellency was at Fort Cumberland, and said Bainbridge was up at said time with some part of his Company which if he had not a Dozen it could not be wondered at, seeing he Agreed with one Philip Rodenpiller to leave him at home, upon Condition to weave said Bainbridge a Quantity of Linen Cloth, Now seeing my Lords Tenants Represents the said Bainbridge to be an unfit Person for said Offices, prays that your Excellency will take the same into your Consideration and appoint some other Person in his Place, as there is several more proper for it than him, and your humble Petitioners will be for ever in Duty bound to pray.

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